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Lake encroachment in K.C. Layout

48-hour deadline to remove compound

State Government has yielded to land mafia, says MLA Srivatsa

Krishnaraja BJP MLA T.S. Srivatsa speaking to the residents and public this morning at the lake land that has been allegedly encroached upon at K.C. Layout.

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (BLU& BCT)- The fencing (compound) of lake land at K.C. Layout (Kempu Cheluvajammanni Layout) near the foot of Chamundi Hill in Mysuru is emerging as a major flashpoint, with the Krishnaraja BJP MLA T.S. Srivatsa issuing a 48-hour deadline to the District Administration to remove the compound put up by a private individual.

The MLA announced the deadline this morning while speaking to reporters at the disputed site, accusing the State Government of bowing to the land mafia. "If the lake compound is not cleared within 48 hours, we will remove it a day after *Mahashivarathri*," he warned.

The land in question falls under Kurubarahalli Survey No. 4 and is being claimed as private property. Two boards have been erected at the site. However, official maps of the MDA identify the area as a lake.

While one board refers to 23 guntas of land, the other mentions 3.17 acres, both asserting ownership and warning the public against trespassing. The boards also state that legal action will be initiated against anyone entering the property without permission.

(See DEADLINE on page 6)

OBITUARY

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Thursday 12th February 2026

Veena Gaana Navollasa
at Ganabharathi on Feb. 13

Vid. Sreenivasa Iyengar

Vid. Srinivas

Mysuru, Feb. 12- Ganabharathi, Mysuru, has organised 'Veena Gaana Navollasa' at Veene Seshanna Bhavan on Adichunchanagiri Road in Kuvempunagar on Feb. 13 at 6 pm.

This annual event, a veena concert in memory of Vid. M.J. Sreenivasa Iyengar (1924-2013), the legendary veena exponent from the city, is sponsored by the family members and disciples of Iyengar. Vid. MJS has been a leading vainika in the Mysore School of Veena playing during later part of the last century.

Vid. Shivashankar

Vid. Omkar

Vid. D. Srinivas, a top-grade artiste of Akashvani and a much sought-after performer, is presenting the concert this year.

He will be accompanied by **Vid. H.L. Shivashankar Swamy** on mridanga and **Vid. Omkar Rao** on ghata.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

IMPUDENCE SHOULD BE IMPOUNDED: ***No matter how talented, beautiful and accomplished a person may be, he or she cannot be considered to be the greatest unless and until the psyche of the person is cleansed of all negative qualities. While it is relatively easy to be truthful, honest and compassionate, it can be pretty hard for us to let go of our ego. We often become arrogant because we are adulated for the qualities, we take pride in.***

The story of Ganga, which appears in the *Ramayana,* ***explores the route to gaining a pristine personality. The 60,000 sons of King Sagara were reduced to ashes for wrongly accusing Rishi Kapila of theft. Garuda advised the bereaved father that if their ashes were washed with the waters of the celestial river Ganga, then their souls would be liberated. Four generations later Bhageeratha managed to bring Ganga down from the heavens with his sincere penance and perseverance. When the mighty river came down in torrents Lord Shiva was commissioned to control her. Accordingly, Lord Shiva opened his matted locks to the skies and captured Ganga. Not even one drop of water was able to escape from the cosmic container. Many people who are apprised of this incident think that the matted locks were so large.***

On the contrary, the incident is symbolic of the fact that audacity of the highest degree can be contained by the humble matted locks of a truly strong person of integrity. A suitably chastened Ganga was released after the fervent prayers of Bhageeratha. As she flowed, she washed away the sacrificial site of sage Jahnu without compunction. The tale mentions that Jahnu drank the river dry and Bhageeratha had to go on his knees before Jahnavi was freed from his ears. The story sounds farfetched when we wonder how a sage could have drunk the river. A little introspection will reveal that, the earnest sage was piqued by her unwarranted playfulness. He wanted her to realise that he could not be taken for granted and hence the exercise. These two experiences made the celestial Ganga to respect the earth she occupied. She gained enough grace, fortitude and compassion and came to be called mother Ganga.

Ganga had the good fortune to be corrected to achieve greatness. We may not be so fortunate. Hence we will do well to stop the ugly head of impudence from rising.

— S. Radha Prathi in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Students scale rock wall for certificate

New Taipei: A high school in Taiwan has become famous for challenging students to scale a 5-storey-high wall to receive their graduation certificates. Ershui Junior High School in Changhua County has been requiring students to become great climbers to get their graduation certificates signed.

The Ershui Junior High School grounds host the highest climbing wall in Taiwan, and it's not just for show. Students here take six climbing lessons every week, and have to be able to scale the 15-meter-high rock wall in order to get their graduation certificates.

This unique graduation requirement not only challenges students' limits but also cultivates their focus, balance, and physical coordination.

Man folds 250 paper planes in one hour

Houston: A Texas man folded 250 paper planes in one hour — an average of four per minute — and proved they could fly to attempt a Guinness World Record.

Tyler resident Richard DeFreece, who first applied to Guinness World Records two years ago, said he got the go-head for his official attempt in December 2025, and he made his try at the record on Saturday.

DeFreece managed to fold 250 paper planes in the allotted time, besting the goal of 200 set by Guinness World Records. Each plane was tested by an official at the end of the attempt to ensure they were all airworthy.

He said breaking a world record is a longtime goal. Evidence from DeFreece's attempt must now be reviewed by Guinness World Records to become official.

"It's a lot of hard work and practice that went into it and I'm glad to get the record," DeFreece said.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Fatty liver disease can occur even in people who do not consume alcohol, especially those with sedentary life style, lack of physical exercise.

By Dr. Nischay R - Consultant – Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Manipal Hospitals, Mysuru

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Talk on 'Post-Independent Indian Science' at Science Sanje

Mysuru, Feb. 12- As part of 'Science Sanje' event, Kalasuruchi and Kutuhali-Kannada have organised a talk on 'Post-Independent Indian Science: Less known stories, unimaginable impact' by Prof. L.S. Shashidhara, Director, National Centre for Biological Sciences (NCBS), Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Bengaluru, at Suruchi Rangamane in Kuvempunagar on Feb. 14 from 6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.

Prof. L.S. Shashidhara

Profile: Prof. Shashidhara is a distinguished developmental biologist and geneticist renowned for his work in evolution and functional genomics. He currently serves as the Director of NCBS-TIFR and holds academic positions as a Professor at IISER Pune and an Honorary Professor at Ashoka University.

He has facilitated the training of over 10,000 teachers in inquiry-based teaching and organised career workshops benefiting hundreds of scientists, with a particular focus on empowering women in science.

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REALLY...?

- *Oldest Operating Station is Royapuram Railway Station (Chennai) since 1856.*
- *First Passenger Train (East India) was from Howrah to Hoogly (August 15, 1854).*
- *First Passenger Train (North India) was from Allahabad to Kanpur (March 3, 1859).*
- *First Steam Locomotive Built in India was "F1" class No. 734 at Ajmer in 1877.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

What did the left eye say to the right eye?
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TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 90.57
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 123.45
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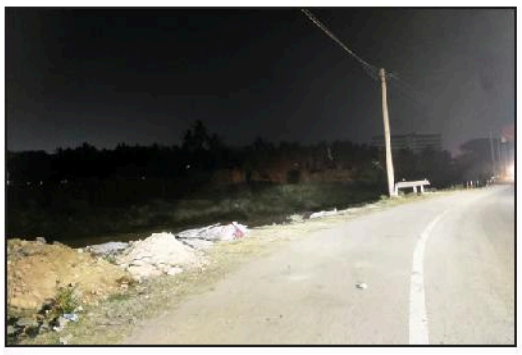
VOICE OF THE READER

Urgent need for installing guardrails



Sir,

There is an urgent need for guardrails along the curved stretch of the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway between St. Philomena's College and the Kempegowda Circle (Manipal Hospital Signal Junction).

This particular stretch has become an accident-prone zone. If a vehicle loses control while navigating the curve, it risks plunging into a deep, open drainage alongside the road, which could result in fatal consequences.

The danger is significantly heightened at night, especially during power cuts, as the curve is not clearly visible to approaching drivers.

I request that the authorities concerned address this matter at the earliest. I also urge the Mysuru City Traffic Police to take immediate action and install guardrails along this curved stretch to prevent potential accidents.

Given that this road is connected to the Highway and accommodates thousands of vehicles daily, ensuring proper safety measures is essential for protecting commuters and preventing avoidable tragedies.

—Mohammed Bilal Mahmood
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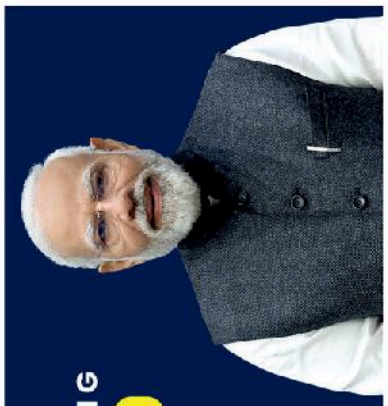
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NEWS BRIEFS

Savitha Maharshi Jayanti celebrations

Kannada and Culture Department, MCC and Savitha Maharshi Jayantyotsava Samithi have jointly organised Savitha Maharshi Jayanti celebrations at Mini Theatre in Kalamandira premises tomorrow (Feb. 13) at 11.30 am. District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa will inaugurate the event. Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda will preside.

Apprenticeship Mela

An Apprenticeship Mela has been organised at Government ITI premises on Mysuru-Bengaluru Road in N.R. Mohalla on Feb. 16. SSLC, PUC, ITI and BE passed students can take part in the Mela. For details, contact ITI Vice-Principal Bopaiah on Mob: 99457-11787 or Training Officer Nagesh on Mob: 99456-16088.

Release of books

Chaithra Foundation, Mysuru, has organised a programme at Uttara Kannada Jilla Samskrutika Sangha premises on Gange Road in city on Feb. 14 at 10.30 am for the release of books and 'Parisara Habba.' Dr. S. Sudha's books 'Nimma Ecosystem-365', 'Hrudaya Haadida Pallaviyali' and 'Pinki mattu Jinke haagu Etara Kathegalu' will be released by Environmentalist Manu Krishnamurthy, Senior Writer-Poetess Dr. Sougandhika Jois and Senior Dot Artist Mohan Varnekar and Srushti. K. Ramesh's book 'Masuradalli Grama' will be released by Senior Writer-Critic B.R. Nagarathna. Senior Writer Kerodi M. Lolakshi will preside. Wildlife enthusiast Dr. Mamatha Satyanarayan and Manu Krishnamurthy will be feted.

MCC to adopt LiDAR tech to plug Property Tax losses

- **Light Detection and Ranging technology to accurately map properties, violations**
- **National Institute of Technology Calicut demonstrates project efficiency at MCC**

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (RK&BCT)- The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) will soon float tenders to implement Aerial LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) technology to map all properties under its jurisdiction, aiming to improve the efficiency and accuracy of Property Tax collection.

The technology is expected to increase Property Tax revenue by about 30 percent. At present, the MCC collects around Rs. 237 crore annually as property tax and LiDAR-based mapping could generate an additional Rs. 54 crore. Water tax collection, currently about Rs. 60 crore, is projected to rise to nearly Rs. 90 crore.

Aerial LiDAR will provide highly accurate data on property boundaries, building dimensions, number of floors, land-use changes, lakes, drains (nalas) and other water bodies across the city.

"We want to tackle illegal encroachments and improve tax assessments. With LiDAR-based GIS property mapping, we can ensure accurate property evaluation. The technology will allow precise measurement of property size and structures, leading to fairer taxation and better revenue generation," MCC Commissioner Shaikh Tanveer Asif told *Star of Mysore*.

He said, a team from the National Institute of Technology Calicut (NITC), which has implemented similar technology in cities such as Varanasi, recently made a presentation to the MCC. "The proposal has been sent to the Government for approval. Once we receive clearance, likely within a week, tenders will be floated," he added.

Pointing out that many property owners fail to report additional floors or structural alterations, he said, this is resulting in under-taxation and noted that although Varanasi has fewer properties than Mysuru, its tax collection is significantly higher.

"There are hundreds of building violations within MCC limits that have escaped notice, including excess floors built in violation of norms, non-compliance with setback rules and breaches of Floor Area Ratio (FAR). These not only violate planning regulations but also cause substantial revenue loss. We aim to plug these losses through LiDAR implementation," he said.

LiDAR will also help MCC monitor zoning changes, land development and urban expansion in real time, enabling quicker corrective action and more effective tax revisions.

Fine for waste disposal violations

MCC collects Rs. 14.35 lakh

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (BLU&BCT)- The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has strictly enforced the plastic ban and solid waste management rules, collecting a total of Rs. 14,35,500 in fines from violators. Between March 1, 2025 and Feb. 10, 2026, extensive operations were carried out across the city.

During this period, fines were imposed as follows: Rs. 1,89,000 from those dumping waste indiscriminately, Rs. 13,600 from households handing over mixed waste, Rs. 66,000 from commercial establishments giving mixed waste and Rs. 9,500 from those allowing wastewater and other liquid waste to flow onto roads.

A fine of Rs. 3,500 has been imposed for improper disposal of animal waste, Rs. 55,000 for failing to dispose of construction debris at designated sites, Rs. 9,000 from those throwing garbage into open drains, Rs. 700 from people burning leaves by the roadside, and Rs. 6,000 from those burning plastic and dry waste.

In addition, penalties were levied on 23,200 members of the public, 4,05,000 street vendors, 53,000 traders, and 1,25,000 industrial operators, amounting to Rs. 1,83,200. This brought the total fines collected to Rs. 14,35,500.

MCC officials told *Star of Mysore* that the drive against prohibited plastic use will continue. Offenders will be fined on the spot and legal action will be initiated as per the law.

Hanchya-Sathagalli residents oppose C&D Waste Plant

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (BLU&BCT)- Even as the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has begun work on setting up a Construction and Demolition (C&D) Waste Processing Plant at Hanchya near Sathagalli, the residents of the locality have opposed the Plant contending that the Plant will pollute the atmosphere.

A delegation of residents met officials of the Rammanahalli Town Panchayat and submitted a memorandum demanding that the project be shifted elsewhere.

Residents argued that Hanchya and surrounding residential areas would suffer from dust pollution and environmental hazards if the Plant is set up nearby. They urged authorities to relocate the facility outside the upcoming Peripheral Ring Road, away from populated zones.

The villagers warned that if the construction work is not halted, they would be forced to launch a protest. Local leaders, including H.V. Venkategowda, Boregowda, Thammegowda, Mahadevu, Umesh, Gavisiddegowda, C. Kumar and Anil, were present.

Unidentified body found

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (KS)- The Mysuru Railway Police, on Feb. 9, have found a body of an unidentified man, who was run over by a moving train between Naganahalli and Pandavapura Police Stations and have shifted the body to Mandya District Government Hospital mortuary besides registering a case.

The deceased is aged between 50 and 55 years, 5.6 ft. tall, well built, light brown complexioned, round faced, sports a beard and moustache and was wearing a pink coloured full arm shirt and black pant.

The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Mysuru Railway Police Station on Ph: 0821-2516579.

Two arrested for selling Kerala State lottery tickets

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (PM&KS)- In separate cases, District Crime Intelligence Bureau (DCIB) and Periyapatna Police, on Wednesday, have arrested two persons on charges of selling Kerala State lottery tickets in Periyapatna.

Those arrested are 35-year-old Arun Kumar, a driver by profession and residing near Masanikamma Temple in Periyapatna and 45-year-old Swamy, also of Periyapatna. They were caught while selling the lottery tickets.

Based on the information received by Additional SP Mallik, the Police conducted the raid near the firewood depot in the town on Wednesday evening, found Arun selling the lottery tickets, arrested him and seized the lottery tickets worth Rs. 32,200, mobile phone and Rs. 20,000 cash from him.

Arun Kumar

Swamy

In the second raid, the Police arrested Swamy when he was selling the lottery tickets at a hotel on Kushalnagar Road in Periyapatna and seized 55 sets of Kerala State lottery tickets worth about Rs. 33,000, one mobile phone and Rs. 2,930 cash from him.

Both the cases have been registered at Periyapatna Police Station.

Vimukthi - Drive against drugs

Five peddlers arrested

3.14 grams MDMA, 585 grams ganja, scooter seized

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (KS)- In separate cases, the City Crime Branch (CCB) Police and Mandi Mohalla Police, have arrested five drug peddlers and have seized narcotic substances and a scooter from them.

In the first case, Mandi Mohalla Police have arrested two drug peddlers and have seized 3.14 grams MDMA from them. Those arrested are 29-year-old Mohammed Kareem of Mandi Mohalla and 36-year-old Nishad Pasha of Kalyangiri. Both have been remanded to Judicial Custody.

Mohammed Kareem has five cases registered against him under Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act in Mandi Mohalla and Narasimharaja (NR) Police Stations and accused Nishad Pasha has 3 robbery and extortion cases registered against him in Channapatna & Nazarbad Police Stations and 2 cases under NDPS Act at Udayagiri Police Station.

In the second case, the CCB Police, who conducted a drive against drugs in Mandi Mohalla and Udayagiri Police limits have arrested three drug peddlers and seized 585 grams ganja besides seizing a scooter (KA-09-JE-6223) used for transporting drugs. Those arrested are 31-year-old Sanjay and 30-year-old Rajkumar, residents of Bamboo Bazar. In another case, 23-year-old Mohammed Afaq of Rajivnagar was arrested. All the three accused have been remanded to judicial custody.

The Police have urged the public to inform them if they come across sale and transportation of drugs by calling Vimukthi Helpline No: 82779-48080 and help Police make Mysuru a drug-free city.

Unidentified woman killed as bike hits

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (PM&KS)- An unidentified woman, aged between 55 and 60 years, who was admitted to K.R. Hospital with serious injuries after a bike hit her when she was crossing the road near Hootagalli Signal on Feb. 3 morning, has succumbed to injuries at the hospital on Feb. 9.

The accused bike rider has been identified as Anand. It is alleged that Anand was riding the bike (KA-02-EQ-7884) in a rash and negligent manner which resulted in the accident.

V.V. Puram Traffic Police have registered a case and have urged the kith and kin of the deceased to contact V.V. Puram Traffic Police on Ph: 0821-2418529 or Police Control Room on Ph: 2418339.

Three youths killed as car hits bike near Begur

Gundlupet, Feb. 12 (RK&KS)- Three youths were killed when a car hit the bike they were triple riding in front of a Mosque on the National Highway at Begur yesterday. The deceased youths have been identified as Karthik (19), Mahadeva Prasad (20) and Diwakar (22).

The 3 youths were proceeding on the bike when the car proceeding from Mysuru towards Gundlupet rammed into the bike resulting in Karthik being killed on the spot. Mahadeva Prasad, who was rushed to a hospital in a serious condition, succumbed to injuries at the hospital yesterday while Diwakar, who had sustained leg fracture, was provided first-aid at Begur Community Health Centre and was later admitted to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru, where he succumbed to injuries at 4 am today. Meanwhile, villagers, alleging that the ambulance did not arrive on time, staged a protest by keeping the body in the hospital premises. Taluk Health Officer (THO) Aleem Pasha, who reached the protest spot, was taken to task by the villagers.

They alleged that there are lack of doctors at Begur Community Health Centre & also no vehicles to shift the injured in emergency situations. Later, Police managed to convince the protesters, who called off the stir and the bodies were shifted to the mortuary.

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Who Are They Afraid Of...?

Lake shown clearly in MDA map

Why was MDA Commr. silent?

Why is DC not taking action?

The lake clearly visible and demarcated in the map of Mysuru Development Authority (circled red). *Picture right:* ***Lake area filled and walled up overnight.***

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (BLU&BCT)- Krishnaraja MLA T.S. Srivatsa has questioned the District Administration's failure to clear the alleged encroachments on the K.C. Layout lake in the Chief Minister's home district.

"Is the land mafia more powerful than the Chief Minister? Why can't the District Administration act immediately. Who are they afraid of? When the Mysuru Development Authority (MDA) map clearly shows the area as a lake and not private property? Who is the Government trying to protect?" he asked.

Targeting MLC and the Chief Minister's son, Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah, whose name has surfaced in the transfers controversy, Srivatsa further asked, "Has the lake encroachment not come to the notice of Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah, that too in his father's hometown?"

Meanwhile, sources have informed that the officials are afraid to take back the lake as powerful people have filled up and encroached this lake to add it to the neighbouring land that they have purchased and converted for commercial purpose.

Deadline to remove compound

(Continued from page 1)

"As soon as the issue came up, I raised a question in the Legislative Assembly, pointing out that MDA maps also indicate Raja Kaluves (primary storm water drains) connected to the water body, leaving little doubt that it is Government-owned. Despite the facts, Revenue Minister Krishna Byregowda gave a confusing and conflicting reply," MLA Srivatsa said.

"The Minister did not clearly state whether the land in question is indeed a lake, leaving the matter unresolved and raising further doubts. This is why we have given a deadline. The lake land has been encroached upon, and the State Government has failed to act, even in the Chief Minister's home district," he added.

Residents say the lake existed for decades. "Many old-timers still remember the water body. Now the water has dried up, and the land has been levelled, encroached upon, and fenced," he said.

BJP City Spokesperson M.M. Mohan, Krishnaraja Constituency BJP President Gopal Raj Urs, former Mayor Shivakumar, retired MUDA officer Nataraj and others were present at the K.C. Layout site visit with the MLA.

Bharat Bandh rally in city

Hundreds of members of various Trade Unions took out a protest rally in city this morning as part of the 'Bharat Bandh' called by the Joint Committee of Trade Unions (JCTU) against Central Government.

'Double commission'

- **Contractors accuse Congress members of charging higher commission than the BJP**
- **Rs. 37,000 crore pending; contractors plan Statewide protest on Mar. 5**

Karnataka State Contractors' Association President R. Manjunath** (fourth from left) **addressing the press persons at a private hotel in city yesterday as** (from left) **Mysuru District Contractors' Association General Secretary K. Ravi, State Vice-Presidents B.N. Krishnegowde and C.D. Krishna, District President A.G. Suresh, State Vice-President Guru Siddappa, Treasurer D.M. Nagaraju and District Treasurer N.N. Mahadevaswamy look on.

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (PM&VNS)- The Karnataka State Contractors' Association has alleged that they were forced to pay a higher commission, or percentage, than the previous BJP Government for clearing pending bills.

Speaking to media persons at a private hotel in the city yesterday, Association President R. Manjunath said that when Chief Minister Siddaramaiah was Leader of the Opposition, he had promised that no payment or commission would be taken for releasing bills or issuing NoCs.

However, he alleged that for the release of bills pending over the last three years, they are being charged double the commission compared to the previous BJP Government.

Rs. 37,000 crore pending bills

Manjunath said, the State Govt. had not been helpful to contractors, many of whom were forced to take loans and pledge gold to continue work. With no other option left, the Assn. has decided to launch a protest demanding payment of pending dues.

Accordingly, the Association will halt all ongoing works across the State and stage a protest at Freedom Park on Mar. 5, demanding the release of the pending Rs. 37,000 crore. He added that the protest would continue until the Government responds positively to their demands.

Stating that around 30,000 contractors from across Karnataka are expected to participate, Manjunath said the Association has about 1.30 lakh members. Several letters had been submitted to the Chief Minister and other Ministers seeking the release of pending bills, but there had been no response.

He further alleged that although the Government has released some pending payments across Departments, only about 10-15% of the dues had been cleared, which has worsened the contractors' financial difficulties.

"The Chief Minister has completely neglected us and has not invited us for even a single meeting in the past two-and-a-half years," he said.

Manjunath also noted that contractors were facing additional challenges, including issues related to obtaining licences from the Department of Mines and Geology, along with fines and GST. "Despite repeatedly bringing these concerns to the CM's notice, no effort has been made to resolve them," he added.

Package system allegation

The Association also alleged that CM Siddaramaiah, who had earlier opposed the package system as Leader of the Opposition, has continued the same system in power. Manjunath claimed that influential contractors are able to secure approvals for contracts at the Cabinet level, leaving others without recourse.

He further alleged that several middlemen within the Govt., some of whom are small-time contractors, use their influence to get work sanctioned by summoning chief engineers of various Departments to their offices.

Association Vice-Presidents C.K. Krishna, Gurusiddappa and Krishnegowda, Treasurer Nagaraju, District President A.G. Suresh and others were present at the press conference.

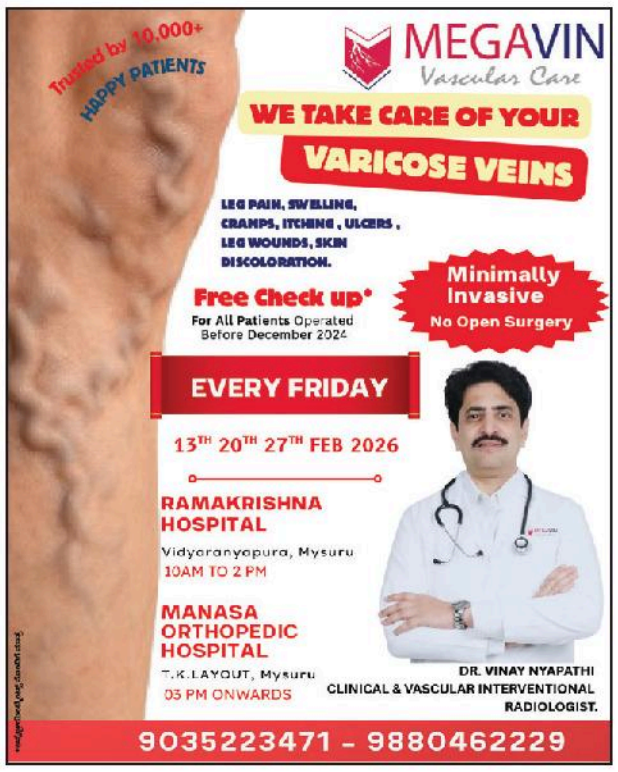
Gold Mangalsutra worth Rs. 2 lakh retrieved from train commode

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (RK&BCT)- The Railway Protection Force (RPF) in Mysuru retrieved and returned a gold mangalsutra *(thaali)* that had accidentally fallen into a train toilet.

A 'Rail Madad' complaint was received on Feb. 8, reporting that a passenger's gold mangalsutra had been cut and fallen into the toilet commode of Vande Bharat Express while the train was at Kranthiveera Sangolli Rayanna Station in Bengaluru and proceeding towards Mysuru.

The passenger was identified as Gayathri, wife of K. Ganesraman, a resident of Kaveri Layout, Marathahalli, Bengaluru. The mangalsutra weighed around 16 grams and was valued at about Rs. 2 lakh.

On the train's arrival at Mysuru, Sub-Inspector S.P. Harish of RPF Mysuru, along with Constable Kanhaya Singh and mechanical staff, conducted a search and secured the fallen ornament, consisting of four pieces. On Feb. 9, the ornament was handed over to the couple after due verification. The passenger appreciated the efforts of the RPF Mysuru team.



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DECODING MYTHOLOGY

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Jain Saraswati on Goose or Peacock

Saraswati, goddess of knowledge and speech, has ancient roots in the Vedic river Saraswati, the cradle of learning and ritual. Over time she evolved from river to goddess, depicted with manuscript, rosary and water pot — symbols of wisdom. In the Hindu Puranas, she became the consort or daughter of Brahma and later the goddess of music and fine arts. In Buddhism, she was equated with Tara and Mahamayuri, in Mahayana and Tantric traditions. In Jainism, Saraswati became Shrutadevata, the divine embodiment of sacred knowledge. It is in Jain faith that she came to be associated with geese and peacocks.

Jain scriptures such as Vyakhya-Prajnapti and Paumachariya describe her as personifying the angas (scriptural limbs) and purvas (ancient texts). Her purpose was to dispel ignorance and remove karmic barriers to right understanding. By the 9th century, she was also associated with music and learning. Jain texts show her as the goddess of eloquence.

Many Jain scholars are believed to have received Saraswati's blessings. Bappabhatti Suri invoked her to defeat Buddhist debaters and was titled Vadikunjara Kesari. Hemachandra is said to have received inspiration from the goddess of Kashmir while composing his grammar and chronicles.

Such stories reflect the belief that divine grace was essential even for intellectual achievement.

The earliest Jain image of Saraswati, found at Mathura and dated 132 CE, confirms her worship from early times. The broken image is in a seated position with a book and rosary in her hand.

Later icons from Deogarh (9th - 12th century) place her beside the Jinas as equal to them in wisdom. She always stands next to the Jina, unlike the Yakshis who stand below and carry the Jina image on their head.

Sculptures at Khajuraho, Humcha, Halebid and Jinanathapura (10th-12th century) portray her with four or six arms holding vina, manuscript, lotus and water pot. By the 10th-11th centuries, Saraswati worship in Jainism acquired tantric features. Texts describe her fierce forms as well as rituals using yantras and mantras. Western Indian temples — Osian, Kumbhariya, Mount Abu, Taranga — reveal her many-armed forms, symbolising growing divine power. The Vimala Vasahi temple (12th century) shows her amidst architects and musicians, affirming her as patron of the arts. Beautiful images from Pallu (11th century) and Ladnun (12th century) depict her in graceful tribhanga posture, surrounded by attendants and crowned by sixteen Mahavidyas. She embodies the different subjects that a Jain acharya sought to master in his quest for kaivalya, omniscience.

There is a sectarian difference in the iconography and ritual worship of Saraswati. Shruta Panchami (in summer) is mainly observed by Digambara Jains and honours the preservation of knowledge after the loss of the original canon. They associate her with the peacock, symbol of dance, music and arts. Gyana Panchami (in autumn) is mainly observed by Shvetambara Jains and commemorates the formal compilation and transmission of the Agamas. They associate her with a goose, symbol of clarity and detachment.

Thus across centuries, Saraswati evolved from Vedic river to Jain goddess of knowledge. As Shrutadevata, she personified the voice of the Jinas, the pure sound of truth. In Jainism, she symbolised both the intellectual and devotional path — serene, musical and compassionate, blending philosophy and art.

She became the divine embodiment of learning itself, reminding Jains that knowledge, though rational, is still a gift of grace. This is very different from the Hindu belief that connects Saraswati with Brahma.

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Police Public School Second Best Institution in NCC Karnataka and Goa Directorate

Police Public School, Mysuru, run by Karnataka State Police Welfare and Education Trust (KSPW&E Trust), has been honoured with the 'Second Best Institution Award' in the NCC Karnataka and Goa Directorate, 14 Kar Battalion. The Award was presented by Deputy Director General of Karnataka and Goa Directorate, Air Commodore S.B. Arunkumar, Vishisht Seva Medal [VSM]. Picture shows Principal (in-Charge) Deena Uthappa and ANO SO Sumathi Patrick receiving the award at the Jyoti Nivas College in Bengaluru. Police Public School was selected after a rigorous evaluation process that considered several activities conducted and achievements of the 14 Kar Battalion.

Works on Film City gain momentum

70 percent works on construction of compound wall completed in first phase, says Nodal Officer T.K. Harish

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (RK&VNS)- Works on the construction of a compound wall around land identified for Film City near Immavu are almost complete.

T.K. Harish

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Nodal Officer and Department of Information and Public Relations T.K. Harish said, "As part of the first phase of works, nearly 70 percent of the work on construction of compound walls has been completed."

The Department of Information and Public Relations has taken up the works on the construction of Film City under the Public-Private Participation (PPP) model and accordingly, a Detailed Project Report (DPR) has also been prepared. The officials have held meetings a couple of times to discuss the Film City project being constructed on a 160-acre land at Immavu in Nanjangud taluk. The land has already been handed over to the Department of Information and Public Relations, following which the works on the construction of the compound wall have been taken up at Rs. 10 crore.

As part of the first phase of works, the Department has taken up the construction of a compound wall around 110-acre land at Rs. 7 crore. The works on the construction of a compound on 50-acre land will be taken up in the coming days, said Harish.

The proposal to construct a Film City for the Kannada film industry was submitted during reigns of Ramakrishna Hegde. Though the matter gained importance during the tenure of S.M. Krishna as the Chief Minister, it was not taken up. However, the then and current Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, who happens to be a native of Mysuru, identified the place for the Film City in 2017.

Meanwhile, when H.D. Kumaraswamy was the Chief Minister, it was proposed to shift the project to Ramanagar in 2018.

Later, the then Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa announced a budgetary allocation of Rs. 500 for the Film City to be established at Devika Rani Roerich Estate in Hesaraghatta, Bengaluru.

Finally, when Siddaramaiah assumed the charge as the Chief Minister for the second time, the 160-acre land was identified at Immavu, following which the works began for the Film City.

Mysuru needs full-fledged Passport Seva Kendra: MP

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (BCT)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar has urged the Union Ministry of External Affairs to upgrade the existing Post Office Passport Seva Kendra at Metagalli in Mysuru into a full-fledged Passport Seva Kendra with Tatkal services.

Mysuru, the cultural capital of Karnataka, is emerging as a growing hub for education, information technology, tourism and overseas employment. With an increasing number of residents travelling abroad, establishing a full-fledged Passport Seva Kendra would be a citizen-friendly initiative, the MP reasoned.

After submitting a memorandum to the Union External Affairs Ministry, Yaduveer Wadiyar noted that the current Post Office Passport Seva Kendra is unable to meet public demand because of its limited capacity and the absence of Tatkal services.

As a result, applicants are compelled to travel to Bengaluru for urgent requirements. He has requested that the centre be shifted to the existing Passport Office premises in Ittigegud and expanded to provide comprehensive services.

Highlighting the growing demand, Yaduveer said that the Mysuru-Kodagu region has seen significant expansion in higher education, IT, tourism and overseas job opportunities.

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Wadiyar submitting a memorandum to an official of the Union External Affairs Ministry.

Establishing a full-fledged Passport Seva Kendra in Mysuru would reduce the burden on Bengaluru centres and significantly improve service delivery for residents.

Officials have assured the MP that the request will be examined and necessary steps taken.

Passport Mela in Kodagu

Yaduveer Wadiyar also urged the Ministry to organise a Mega Passport Mela in Kodagu, pointing out that residents currently have to travel to Mysuru or Bengaluru for Passport services. Authorities have responded positively and promised to hold the Mela at the earliest.

Fast-track railway line between Channarayapatna-Kushalnagar: HDD

Mysuru, Feb. 12 (AG&BCT)- Former Prime Minister and current Rajya Sabha Member H.D. Deve Gowda (HDD) has urged the Railway Ministry to approve the construction of a new railway line connecting Channarayapatna to Kushalnagar via Holenarasipura and Arkalgud.

Deve Gowda

In a letter addressed to Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw on Feb. 5, 2026, Deve Gowda highlighted the importance of the proposed 87-km line.

"The Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the line has already been submitted by the South Western Railway (SWR) to the Ministry. This project represents a long-standing demand of the people of the Kodagu region, who have been seeking improved rail connectivity for years. The new line would significantly boost development in the area by facilitating easier access and economic opportunities," the letter stated.

Calling for immediate sanction and allocation of funds, the former PM underscored the urgency of addressing the infrastructure needs of Kodagu, a region known for its tourism, agriculture and coffee plantations. If approved, the project is expected to enhance connectivity between central Karnataka and Kodagu district, potentially transforming local trade and travel, HDD added.

DRM clarifies

Meanwhile, Mudit Mittal, Divisional Railway Manager (DRM) of SWR, Mysuru Division, told *SOM* that a preliminary engineering-cum-traffic survey for a new line between Shravanabelagola and Madikeri via Holenarasipura, Arkalgud, Konanur and Kushalnagar (117 km) has been submitted to the Railway Board. "Any further action will depend on the Board's response," he said.

State blamed

Union Minister of State for Railways and Water Resources V. Somanna told *SOM* that several railway projects in Karnataka have remained pending due to a lack of co-operation from the State Government, which he claimed had also withdrawn in-principle approval for a few projects.

"After assuming office, I have been making efforts to ensure land acquisition for the projects. Congress should not politicise developmental initiatives. We are ready to revive Mysuru-Kushalnagar railway line if the State Government allocates the required land," he said.

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MYSORE TRAIN TIMINGS

FROM MYSURU RAILWAY STATION TOWARDS KSR BENGALURU

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Mysuru Departure	Bengaluru Arrival	Days of Service
16586	Murudeshwar	KSR Bengaluru	03.45	06.25	Daily (Via MAQ,MYS)
16552	Mysuru	Chennai	05.10	07.50	Daily
16217	Mysuru	Shirdi	05.40	08.35	Monday
20676 (17326)	Mysuru	Belagavi	07.00	09.55	Daily
20663	Mysuru	MGR Chennai	06.00	07.40	ExceptWed-VandeBharat
66554	Ashokapuram	Bengaluru	06.10	09.15	Daily
16215	Mysuru	Bengaluru	06.45	09.35	Daily
22687	Mysuru	Varanasi	08.00	10.10	Tue &Thu
20623	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	08.35	11.05	Daily
56281	Chamarajanagar	KSR Bengaluru	09.05	13.13	Daily Passenger
19668	Mysuru	Udaipur	10.05	12.05	Thu - Humsafar Express
12975	Mysuru	Jaipur	10.30	12.40	Thu & Sat
12578	Mysuru	Darbhanga	10.30	13.40	Friday
12613	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	11.30	14.00	Daily
16315	Mysuru	Kochuveli	12.45	16.25	Daily
20608	Mysuru	MGR Chennai	13.05	14.45	ExceptWed-VandeBharat
17307	Mysuru	Bagalkot	13.25	16.30	Daily
66552	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	13.55	17.05	Daily Passenger
12008	Mysuru	MGR Chennai	14.15	16.05	Except Thu
20659	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	14.50	17.20	Daily
12786	Mysuru	Kacheguda	15.15	17.50	Daily
16535	Mysuru	Pandharpur	15.45	18.20	Daily
16232	Mysuru	Mayiladuturai	16.15	18.50	Daily
16219	Chamarajanagar	Tirupati	17.15	20.10	Daily
07034	Mysuru	Kakinada Town	17.20	20.55	Tue & Sat (TOD SPL)
16236	Mysuru	Tuticorin	18.20	21.05	Daily
16592	Mysuru	Hubballi	18.50	21.40	Daily
16210	Mysuru	Ajmer	20.30	23.40	Tue & Thu
16227	Mysuru	Talguppa	19.40	23.05	Daily
22681	Mysuru	Chennai	20.15	22.50	Wednesday
16022	Mysuru	Chennai	21.00	23.45	Daily
06526	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	20.40	00.05	Daily
06269	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	21.50	00.35	Daily
66580	Ashokapuram	SMVB Baiyyappanahalli	23.00	02.35	Daily
22135	Mysuru	Renigunta	23.10	01.25	Friday
22818	Mysuru	Howrah	23.55	02.05	Sunday

DEPARTING FROM KSR BENGALURU AND ARRIVING MYSURU

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Bengaluru Departure	Mysuru Arrival	Days of Service from Bengaluru
06270	SMVT Baiyyappanahalli	Mysuru	00.10	04.00	Daily
66579	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	00.30	04.05	Daily
16218	Shirdi	Mysuru	00.45	03.35	Wednesday
22817	Howrah	Mysuru	00.45	03.35	Friday
16021	Chennai	Mysuru	04.00	06.40	Daily
16228	Talguppa	Mysuru	05.05	08.20	Daily
22682	Chennai	Mysuru	05.20	07.45	Thursday
16231	Mayiladuturai	Mysuru	05.40	08.35	Daily
16591	Hubballi	Mysuru	05.55	08.55	Daily
12785	Kacheguda	Mysuru	06.20	09.30	Daily
16235	Tuticorin	Mysuru	06.35	10.20	Daily
16536	Pandharpur	Mysuru	07.30	10.45	Daily
17308	Bagalkot	Mysuru	08.05	11.45	Daily
16316	Kochuveli	Mysuru	08.25	11.15	Daily
66551	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	09.15	12.25	Daily - MEMU Passenger
20607	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	10.05	12.20	ExceptWed-VandeBharat
12007	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	10.35	13.00	Except Thu
20660	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	11.30	14.00	Daily
12976	Jaipur	Mysuru	12.50	16.00	Wed & Fri
19667	Udaipur	Mysuru	12.15	15.00	Wed - Humsafar Exp
20624	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	13.50	16.30	Daily
12614	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	15.15	17.45	Daily
56282	KSR Bengaluru	Chamarajanagar	15.35	18.35	Daily Passenger
07033	Kakinada Town	Mysuru	09.00	16.00	Mon & Fri (TOD SPL)
06525	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	16.45	19.25	Daily Passenger
16220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	07.25 (MYS)	09.20	Daily Exp
12577	Darbhanga	Mysuru	17.05	20.00	Thursday
20675 (17325)	Belagavi	Mysuru	17.50	20.35	Daily
16216	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	18.25	21.10	Daily
22688	Varanasi	Mysuru	18.40	21.30	Mon & Sat
66553	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	19.00	21.55	Daily - MEMU Passenger
16551	Chennai	Mysuru	20.00	22.50	Daily
16585	KSR Bengaluru	Murdeshwar	20.25	23.20	Daily
20664	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	21.30	23.30	Except Thu - Vande Bharat
22136	Renigunta	Mysuru	22.55	01.50	Saturday
16209	Ajmer	Mysuru	20.45	00.05	Fri & Sun

TOWARDS HASSAN, ARSIKERE, SHIVAMOGGA, DAVANGERE, HAVERI, HUBBALLI, DADAR, NEWDELHI & BACK

Train	From Station	To Station	Departure	Arrival	Days of Service
16206	Mysuru	Talguppa	06.00	13.25	Daily
11036	Mysuru	Dadar	06.15	05.45 next day	Sunday (Mysuru)
56266	Mysuru	Arsikere	06.30	10.25	Daily Passenger
16208	Mysuru	Yesvantpur	07.15	10.10 (Hassan)	Daily
06281	Mysuru	Arsikere	08.00	11.10	Sat
06282	Arsikere	Mysuru	13.10	18.30	Wed
16225	Mysuru	Shivamogga	10.15	16.40	Daily
16222	Mysuru	Talguppa	14.00	23.00	Daily
56268	Mysuru	Arsikere	17.45	22.00	Daily Passenger
56267	Arsikere	Mysuru	05.00	09.25	Daily Passenger
56265	Arsikere	Mysuru	17.30	21.15	Daily Passenger
12781	Mysuru	Hazrat Nizamuddin	19.30 (Fri)	18.45 (Sun)	Friday
17301	Mysuru	Belagavi	22.45	09.55	Daily
16585	Mysuru	Murdeshwar	23.40	12.55	Daily
17302	Belagavi	Mysuru	19.40	07.10	Daily
16226	Shivamogga	Mysuru	11.25	17.05	Daily
16207	Yesvantpur	Mysuru	16.55 (Hassan)	20.10	Daily
11035	Dadar	Mysuru	21.30	21.00 next day	Thursday (Dadar)
16221	Talguppa	Mysuru	05.50	15.30	Daily
16205	Talguppa	Mysuru	14.50	22.30	Daily
12782	Hazrat Nizamuddin	Mysuru	05.10 (Mon)	02.20 (Wed)	Monday
16586	Murdeshwar	Mysuru	14.10	03.30	Daily

TOWARDS MYSURU TO CHAMARAJANAGAR AND BACK

Train	From Station	To Station	Departure	Arrival	Days of Service
56202	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	05.00	06.45	Daily Passenger
16220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	07.25 (MYS)	09.20	Daily Exp
56210	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	08.00	10.10	Daily Passenger
56204	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	11.50	13.30	Daily Passenger
56208	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	15.40	17.20	Daily Passenger
56282	Tumakuru	Chamarajanagar	18.40	20.50	Daily Passenger
56206	Mysuru	Nanjangud Town	09.15	10.00	Daily Passenger
56201	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	04.40	06.30	Daily Passenger
56281	Chamarajanagar	Tumakuru	07.15	09.00	Daily Passenger
56207	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	10.40	12.30	Daily Passenger
16219	Chamarajanagar	Tirupati	15.50	17.05	Daily Passenger
56203	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	17.30	19.30	Daily Passenger
56209	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	21.45	23.40	Daily Passenger
56205	Nanjangud Town	Mysuru	10.25	11.15	Daily Passenger

Banner Victory twice in a row by Mysuru NCC Group

Mysuru, Feb. 12- The Alumni of 4 Kar Air Sqn NCC, Mysuru, proudly welcomed back the NCC Cadets who represented the Karnataka & Goa Directorate at the Republic Day Camp-2026 in New Delhi.

Their exceptional performance led the Directorate to secure the prestigious Banner for the second consecutive year, marking a historic milestone for the Mysuru Group.

A total of 17 Cadets — 10 Senior Division (SD), 6 Senior Wing (SW) and 1 Junior Division (JD) — participated in the camp, accompanied by drill instructors Hav Kuldeep Singh and Hav Ranjit Singh from 14 Kar Battalion, Mysuru. The 14 Kar Btn contributed the maximum number of Cadets from Mysuru NCC Group.

Cadet Contingent

• **14 KAR BN:** SUO C. Sanch Mandanna (Rajpath), JUO Poornima (Rajpath), JUO V.C. Shailesh (PM Rally), JUO M.U. Samarth (PM Rally) YEP Pluck card holder, JUO Ravikumar (PM Rally), CDT B.S. Dhruvesh (PM Rally) and CDT Eeshan Suhas Karwe (Culturals).

• **13 KAR BN:** SUO S. Yashaswini (Rajpath), JUO K.D. Nikhil (Rajpath) Contingent Commander and JUO Amshu Hegde (Best Cadet).

• **15 KAR BN:** SUO I.M. Ajay (GOH) Platoon Commander and SUO Y.P. Abhishek (PM Rally) PM Banner Holder.

• **16 KAR BN:** JUO J.D. Swathi (Rajpath).

• **3 KAR G BN:** CDT T.P. Pallavi (Rajpath).

• **3 KAR NAVAL:** CDT Ahmed Amar Khan (PM Rally).

• **4 KAR AIR SQN:** CSUO V. Nivesh Narayan (PM Rally) Pluck Card Holder of South Zone and CPL K. Nandan (Best Cadet) PM Rally.

Leadership and Guidance

The Mysuru Group's consecutive victory was achieved under the dynamic leadership of Group Commander Col. Rohith Thakur, whose vision and commitment inspired the Cadets to excel. The collective effort of the Mysuru Group HQs and its dedicated officers, ANOs played a crucial role in this success:

Lt. Col. Hitesh R.K. Kala - Training Officer; Col. B. Sohan Ganapathy - Administrative Officer; SJS Sandhar - Officer in Command, 13 Kar Btn NCC; Col. Sidharth Vatsayan - Ex-Officer in Command, 14 Kar Btn NCC; Lt. Col. Tejus - Officer in Command, 14 Kar Btn NCC; Lt. Col. Mandeep Singh Sekhon - Officer in Command, 15 Kar Btn NCC (Hassan); Col. CPS Soemwal - Officer in Command, 3 Kar Girls Btn; Col. Vivek Savangouder - Officer in Command, 1 Kar Arty Btn NCC; Lt. Col. B.N. Anantha Keshava - Officer in Command, 1 Kar Engr Coy NCC; Lt. Cdr. R. Vinay - Officer in Command, 3 Kar Naval NCC; Wg. Cdr. Deepak Mohapatra - Officer in Command, 4 Kar Air Sqn NCC.

Alumni Felicitation

On behalf of the Alumni of 4 Kar Air Sqn NCC, Founder and Secretary Uma Venkatesh, along with Lakshmi Vallabha, Sharath Mohan, L.V. Prasad and Abhishekar, were present to congratulate in person, the Cadets and Instructors on their arrival to the city.

Their presence highlighted the strong bond between past and present NCC Members, reinforcing the spirit of continuity and mentorship.

Union Sports Minister invited for Chenanda Hockey Festival

Madikeri, Feb. 12 (PS&BCT)- Kodagu, the cradle of hockey in Karnataka, is preparing to host the Chenanda Kodava Family Hockey Festival from Apr. 5 to May 2 at Gen. K.S. Thimayya Stadium in Napokulu, with plans to make this year's edition especially grand.

The organisers met Union Sports Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, along with Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Wadiyar, on Feb. 9 in New Delhi and cordially invited him to attend the finals on May 2.

Notably, the Chenanda Kodava Family Hockey Festival organising committee members were dressed in traditional Kodava attire, adding a cultural touch to the occasion. The Minister, after accepting the invitation, also learnt about Kodagu's rich hockey heritage and the historical significance of the festival.

SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Sangam Theatre** **Ph: 2520494**
  Karikaada (K) - 2 Shows; *JC: The University (K)* - 2 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** **Ph: 2521923**
  Bharathi Teacher (K) - *1 Show; Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu (Te)* - *3*
- **Woodlands Theatre** **Ph: 2422871**
  Rakkasapuradol (K) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** **Mob: 99008-20093**
  45 (K) - *4 Shows*
- **Gayathri Theatre** **Ph: 2443568**
  Landlord (K) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** **Mob: 98454-14691**
  Sarkari Shale H8 (K) - 2 Shows; *Mavuta (K)* - 2 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** **Ph: 2420885**
  Gharga (K) - 3 Shows; *Shivaleela (1)* - 1 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** **Ph: 2423554**
  With Love (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** **Mob: 98863-25207**
  Mardaani 3 (H) - 3 Shows

MOVIES AT DRC CINEMAS Ph: 4240422 4241800

Sukhibhavaa (K)	(S-1)	10.30 am
Gharga (K)	(S-1)	1.35 pm
Scarlet (Japanese)	(S-1)	4.30 pm, 7 pm
Euphoria (Te)	(S-1)	9.40 pm
Amruthaanjan (K)	(S-2)	10.15 am
With Love (Ta)	(S-2)	1.20 pm
Karikaada (K)	(S-2)	4.15 pm
JC: The University (K)	(S-2)	7.10 pm; (S-3) 1 pm
Aashaan (Ma)	(S-2)	10.25 pm
Bayakegalu Beruridaaga (K)	(S-3)	10.35 am
Anomie (Ma)	(S-3)	7.20 pm
Aashakal Aayiram (Ma)	(S-3)	10.25 pm
Katle (K)	(S-4)	10.15 am
Landlord (K)	(S-4)	1.05 pm
Rakkasapuradol (K)	(S-4)	4.15 pm, 7 pm, 9.45 pm

MOVIES AT MYSURU VISION CINEMAS Ph: 2973519

JC: The University (K)	:	10.40 am, 4.40 pm, 6.25 pm
Amruthaanjan (K)	:	10.45 am, 1.45 pm
Rakkasapuradol (K)	:	10.50 am, 1.25 pm, 4.10 pm, 6.50 pm
Katle (K)	:	10.55 am
Gharga (K)	:	1.30 pm
Landlord (K)	:	1.45 pm, 7.45 pm
Euphoria (Te)	:	3.50 pm
Karikaada (Ta)	:	6.50 pm
Aashaan (Ma)	:	9.30 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Amruthaanjan (K)	:	10 am, 4.05 pm
With Love (Ta)	:	10.35 am, 4.50 pm, 10.30 pm
Scarlet (Japanese)	:	10.45 am, 7.50 pm
Rakkasapuradol (K)	:	11 am, 4.15 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.20 pm
Landlord (K)	:	11.35 am, 6.45 pm, 9.50 pm
JC: The University (K)	:	12.35 pm, 6.55 pm
Karikaada (K)	:	1.10 pm
Cult (2026) (K)	:	1.30 pm, 3.50 pm
Gharga (K)	:	1.40 pm
Border 2 (H)	:	2.50 pm, 10 pm
Devdas (H)	:	4.15 pm
Non Veg (K)	:	7.15 pm
Mardaani 3 (H)	:	7.45 pm
Aashaan (Ma)	:	10.10 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

JC: The University (K)	:	9.55 am, 4.15 pm
With Love (Ta)	:	10.05 am, 4.15 pm, 10 pm
Rakkasapuradol (K)	:	10.55 am, 1.35 pm, 7.30 pm
Mardaani 3 (H)	:	12.15 pm
Euphoria (Te)	:	1 pm, 7.05 pm
Cult (2026) (K)	:	1.10 pm, 6.10 pm
Amruthaanjan (K)	:	3 pm, 9.30 pm
Gharga (K)	:	4.30 pm
Ashakal Aayiram (Ma)	:	7.10 pm
Border 2 (H)	:	10.10 pm
Anomie (Ma)	:	10.25 pm

EVENTS TODAY (FEB. 12)

- **Hi Life Brides:** Bridal fashion — India's premium wedding and luxury fashion exhibition, Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, Mysuru, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Prajapita Brahma Kumaris Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya:** 90th anniversary & Mahashivarathri celebrations, Divya Darshana of replica of Gujarat's Sri Somnath Temple at the ground opp. BVB Mysuru Kendra, Vijayanagar, **up to 9 pm;** Discourse by BK Rashmi, Vallabhbhai Nagar, Mysuru, on 'Giteya Moulyagalu,' **6.15 pm to 6.45 pm;** Lecture by P. Ravishankar, President, Rotary Jayaprakash Nagar, Mysuru, on 'Prayatnadinda Paramatma,' **7 pm to 8 pm;** Cultural programme - Sugama Sangeetha by Indrani and troupe, Mysuru, ground opp. BVB Mysuru Kendra, Vijayanagar, **8 pm to 9 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (FEB. 13)

- **Prajapita Brahma Kumaris Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya:** 90th anniversary & Mahashivarathri celebrations, Divya Darshana of replica of Gujarat's Sri Somnath Temple at the ground opp. BVB Mysuru Kendra, Vijayanagar, **8 am to 9 pm;** All Religion Meet for the cause of world peace, Dr. BK Lakshmiji graces the occasion, Arameri Kalancheri Mutt Seer Sri Shantha Mallikarjuna Swamiji delivers a talk, Sir Khazi of Mysuru Moulana Mohammed Usman Sharif, Sufi Ruhulla Shah Khadri, Bishop of Mysuru Most Rev. Dr. Francis Serrao SJ and Mysuru Gurudwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha Gen. Secretary Harpreet Singh chief guests, **6.30 pm;** Kannadad Kannadi Band - Ganesh Prasad's troupe, Mysuru, ground opp. BVB Mysuru Kendra, Vijayanagar, **8 pm to 9 pm.**
- **University of Mysore (UoM) - Prasaranga and Kannada Department, Government First Grade College, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru:** Lecture on 'Sahitya mattu Cinema' by Prof. Rajappa Dalavai; Prasaranga Director Prof. M. Nanjaiah Honganur delivers keynote address, Government First Grade College-Kuvempunagar Principal Dr. P. Bettegowda presides, Kannada Department Head Dr. R. Guruswamy and Government First Grade College IQAC Convenor Dr. S.V. Muralidhara will be present, College auditorium, **11 am.**
- **Kannada & Culture Department, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) and Savitha Maharshi Jayantyotsava Samiti:** Savitha Maharshi Jayanti celebrations, District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa inaugurates, Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda presides, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **11.30 am.**
- **D. Banumaiah's Nursery and Lower Primary School, Udayagiri:** Annual Day celebrations, Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA) Chairman Ayub Khan inaugurates, D. Banumaiah's Educational Institutions President Dr. V.B. Jayadeva presides, School premises, **3 pm.**
- **Department of Commerce (UG & PG) and IQAC, Teresian College, Mysuru and St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu:** Valedictory of 2-day 3rd International Conference on 'Entrepreneurship for a Sustainable Future,' H.S. Girjamba, Deputy Director, Karnataka State Tribal Research Institute, Mysuru; Rev. Dr. Sr. Juanita; B.N. Pramodh, Co-Founder, AcademiAI and Altomation, Mysuru and Harsha Srinivas, Director, AIMLWare Systems Pvt. Ltd., SJCE-STEP, Mysuru, will take part, Teresian College premises, Siddarthanagar, **3 pm.**
- **Ganabharathi, Mysuru:** 'Veena Gaana Navollasa' in memory of Vid. M.J. Sreenivasa Iyengar (1924-2013), the legendary veena exponent from the city; Veena concert by Vid. D. Srinivas, accompanied by Vid. H.L. Shivashankar Swamy on mridanga and Vid. Omkar Rao on ghata, Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

MOVIES AT MALL OF MYSORE

Border 2 (H)	:	10.50 am, 9.15 pm
JC: The University (K)	:	11.15 am, 5.45 pm
Rakkasapuradol (K)	:	11.15 am, 1.55 pm, 7.30 pm
Amruthaanjan (K)	:	11.55 am, 2.30 pm, 6.20 pm
Landlord (K)	:	2.45 pm, 6 pm, 9 pm
Euphoria (Te)	:	3.05 pm
With Love (Ta)	:	4.35 pm, 10.10 pm
Non Veg (K)	:	9.30 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

Sukhibavaa (K)	:	11.35 am
Border 2 (H)	:	12.05 pm, 9.30 pm
Mardaani 3 (H)	:	12.45 pm, 6.45 pm
Gharga (K)	:	1.45 pm
Katle (K)	:	2.35 pm
Aashaan (Ma)	:	3.30 pm
With Love (Ta)	:	4 pm
Shivaleela (K)	:	4.20 pm
Non Veg (K)	:	5.25 pm
Ashakal Aayiram (Ma)	:	6.55 pm
Karikaada (K)	:	7.25 pm
Bayakegalu Berooridaga (K)	:	7.40 pm
Prakambanam (Ma)	:	9.45 pm
Anomie: The Equation of Death (Ma)	:	10.10 pm
Euphoria (Te)	:	10.20 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

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Time: 7 pm

TOMORROW'S MATCHES [FEB. 13]

Australia Vs **Zimbabwe**
Venue: R. Premadasa Stadium, Colombo
Time: 11 am

Canada Vs **UAE**
Venue: Arun Jaitley Stadium, Delhi
Time: 3 pm

USA Vs **Netherlands**
Venue: M.A. Chidambaram Stadium, Chennai
Time: 7 pm

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS [FEB. 11]

South Africa 187/6 (20 overs) tied with **Afghanistan** 187 all out (19.4 overs)

Super Over 1
South Africa 17/1 (1 over) tied with **Afghanistan** 17 for no loss (1 over)

Super Over 2
South Africa 23 for no loss (1 over) **BEAT Afghanistan** 19/2 (1 over)

Australia 182/6 (20 overs) **BEAT** **Ireland** 115 all out (16.5 overs)

West Indies 196/6 (20 overs) **BEAT** **England** 166 all out (19 overs)

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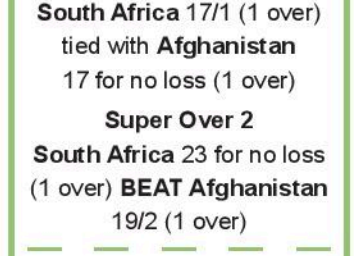

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